

How Many Turkeys Does It Take? – November 10th

How many turkeys does it take to feed Americans on thanksgiving? Before you grab your phone to Google that, let me make this a multiple-choice question. Is the answer:

- A. 46 million
- B. 56 million
- C. 66 million?

How many say A? How many say B? How many say C? How many of you cheated and Googled it?

The correct answer, according to one study, is 46 million. That is a lot of turkeys! \$927 million just on turkeys.

Clearly, we love Thanksgiving. It might be more accurate to say we love to eat, and Thanksgiving gives us an excuse to splurge on our diets. I will do my fair share of splurging.

We can lose sight of why we hold Thanksgiving during all this eating. It is supposed to be a time of reflection and thanksgiving for the blessings we have received from God. So, take some time out of your feasting and thank the Lord for all His blessings in our lives. You might even ask those at your table to share one blessing they are thankful for.

Did you realize that your offering today is an act of thanksgiving? Throughout Scripture, we see that the people of God often bring what was called an offering of thanks. Psalm 50:23 says, "He who offers a sacrifice of thanksgiving honors me." Psalm 116:17 says, "To You I shall offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and call upon the name of the Lord."

These acts of worship reminded them of God's provision and protection. It was a way of showing thankfulness. When we view our gifts as an expression of thanksgiving, it changes our view of giving. So, let's use today's offering to express our thanksgiving to God for all he has done for us. We offer multiple ways to give; please find the best way for you, and thank you for your generosity!

Statistics from: <https://www.finder.com/american-thanksgiving-turkey-spend>